

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to waiving Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) "spot check" fees, requesting a report on LAFD's ability to recover associated costs; a report on a strategy for proactive enforcement and a public education initiative regarding Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 41.20 and lawful filming, a report on a citywide Motion Picture Officer staffing matrix; and, related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Nazarian - Lee):

1. INSTRUCT the LAFD to waive "spot check" fees for the following types of productions:
 - a. Productions assigned a Fire Safety Officer (FSO); or
 - b. Productions who pay the fee but are never visited by a Fire Inspector.
2. INSTRUCT the LAFD, in coordination with the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to report to Council within 60 days on the fiscal impact, including the ability of LAFD to recover costs, of waiving "spot check" fees for the following types of productions:
 - a. Productions assigned an FSO; or
 - b. Productions who pay the fee but are never visited by a Fire Inspector.
3. REQUEST the Board of Public Works (BPW), with assistance from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and City Attorney, and in consultation with FilmLA, to report to Council within 60 days on recommendations for a strategy for proactive enforcement and a public education initiative regarding LAMC Section 41.20, specifically targeting communities impacted by filming and production activities.
4. REQUEST the BPW, with assistance from the LAPD and City Attorney, and in consultation with FilmLA, to develop and implement a community education plan regarding lawful filming, including:
 - a. Clear notice that "inconvenience payments" are not required for permitted filming.
 - b. Information on how residents can report harassment, price-gouging, or unlawful disruption.
 - c. Updated language on all FilmLA notices and the City's filming website.
5. INSTRUCT the LAPD, in coordination with FilmLA and the BPW Film Liaison, to establish a citywide Motion Picture Officer (MPO) staffing matrix to ensure consistent deployment standards across all patrol divisions, and to report to Council on eliminating unnecessary staffing minimums unless justified by a documented safety concern.
6. INSTRUCT the LAPD to report to Council within 60 days on current procedures for MPO firearm licensing and recommendations for ensuring that every MPO is up to date on all requisite licensing requirements to do with firearms.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
NoHo Neighborhood Council
Los Feliz Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on February 17, 2026, your Economic Development and Jobs Committee considered Motion (Nazarian - Lee) relative to waiving Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) “spot check” fees, a report on LAFD’s ability to recover associated costs; and, reports on a strategy for proactive enforcement and a public education initiative regarding Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.20 and lawful filming, requesting a report on a citywide Motion Picture Officer staffing matrix; and, related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations, as amended, as stated above.

Subsequently, on March 3, 2026, the Budget and Finance Committee also considered this matter and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee concurred with the recommendations made previously by the Economic Development and Jobs Committee.

This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
PRICE	YES
SOTO-MARTÍNEZ	YES
JURADO	YES
NAZARIAN	YES
PARK	YES

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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
HUTT	YES
McOSKER	YES
HERNANDEZ	YES

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